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Whitehall, June 29.

THIS Day their Majesties went from Richmond to Black-Heath, where the Queen's Royal Regiment of Foot commanded by Brigadier Piercy Kirke, and the Regiment of Foot commanded by Collonel Henry Harrison; passed in Review before His Majesty, and made a very fine Appearance. After which, their Majesties returned to Richmond.

Whitehall, July 2.

His Majesty has been pleased to appoint Sir Walter Yonge, Sir John Evelyn, Sir John Stanley, Thomas Walker, Esq; Sir Charles Peers, Sir James Campbell, Humphry Brent, John Campbell, Brian Fairfax, Henry Hale, George Drummond, John Hill, Allan Broderick, and Gwynn Vaughan, Esqrs. to be Commissioners of the Customs.

Whitehall, July 2, 1728.

Whereas Jane the Wife of George Sherwing, and Jane their Daughter, of Waterstone, in the Parish of Piddletowne, in the County of Dorset, were on the 22d Day of April 1727, at Night, barbarously murdered in or near the Dwelling House of the said George Sherwing; His Majesty is pleased for the Discovery of the Persons concerned in the said Murder, to promise His most gracious Pardon to any one or more of the said Criminals (except the Person or Persons who actually committed the said Murder) who shall discover his Accomplices, so that they or any of them be apprehended and convicted thereof. Holles Newcastle.

Westminster ss. *A General* Dedimus Potestatem *is issued this 27th under the Great Seal, impowering the Clerk of the Peace of the Liberty of Westminster, or his Deputy, to administer the Oaths of Office, and Allegiance and Supremacy, to every Justice of the Peace for the said Liberty who was a Justice of the Peace of his late Majesty King George at the Time of his Decease, and hath by any Commission granted by his present Majesty before the 13th of February last been continued a Justice of the Peace of the said Liberty.*

Note, By an Act of the last Session of Parliament, all Persons who were Justices of the Peace at the Demise of his said late Majesty, and have been continued Justices of the Peace, and who since the 11th Day of June 1727, have taken the Oath of Office of a Justice of the Peace, or shall take such Oath of Office before the 28th Day of November next, shall be and are indempnified and discharged for or in Respect of all Acts and Matters done or to be done by them as Justices of the Peace.

And that all such Justices as have since the said 11th Day of June 1727, taken the Sacrament, and Oaths, and subscribed the Test required by Law, are not obliged to qualify themselves again in respect of their Office of Justices.

For Payment of the King's Rents in the Isle of Wight.

An Audit will be held by the King's Officer appointed for that Purpose, on Saturday the 20th of July Instant, in the Forenoon, at the George Inn at Newport, in the said Isle; at which Time and Place, all Persons paying Rents to His Majesty for Lands, &c. within the said Isle, or their Under-Tenants, are to pay or cause to be paid one Year's Rent due at Lady-Day last, which will prevent Trouble and Charge.

Office for Licensing Hawkers and Pedlars.

The Commissioners do hereby give Notice, that daily Attendance is given at their Office aforesaid, (Sundays and Holidays excepted) from Nine a Clock in the Morning till Twelve, and from Two till Five in the Afternoon, in order for the delivering out yearly Licenses, as usual.

And all Persons who shall be found trading as Hawkers, Pedlars, or Petty Chapmen, without Licenses for so doing, will be prosecuted for the Twelve Pound Penalty as the Law directs.

And whereas several Persons do presume to go from House to House with divers Goods liable to the Act, and do in such House or Houses privately sell or expose to Sale such Goods without any Licenses, pretending that they only call upon their Customers, and carry such Goods with them as are bespoke; these are to give Notice, that there is no Provision made in any of the Acts to justify any Person or Persons so trading without Licenses, but such Person or Persons so trading are subject to the Penalty above-mentioned.

General Post Office, June 25, 1728.

Whereas by the Act of Parliament of the 9th of Queen Anne, for establishing a General Post Office, it is amongst other things enacted, That no Person or Persons whatsoever shall have the carrying and delivering of any Letters whatsoever, unless such Persons only as shall be authorized thereunto by the Postmaster General, under the Penalty of Five Pounds for every several Offence against the Tenor of the said Act, one Moiety thereof to the King, and the other Moiety to the Person who shall sue for the same, with full Costs of Suit; *Yet notwithstanding, it is found that Letters are frequently carried and delivered by Persons who are not authorized thereunto, but by some illegal Means possess themselves of Letters which should have passed through the General Post Office, and in particular Ship Letters, and to make an Advantage to themselves, demand Money for the Port of such Letters, and sometimes by counterfeiting the Marks of the Office exact more than the legal Port would come to had they been regularly taxed in the Office. To prevent therefore as much as possible this clandestine manner of carrying and delivering of Letters, which is very prejudicial to the Subject in many Respects, and also a Loss to His Majesty's Revenue,*

It is ordered by the Postmaster General, That every Letter Carrier whose Walk is within London, Westminster, or Southwark, shall, as a Badge of his Employment, wear a Brass Ticket upon some (the most visible) Part of his Cloathing, with the King's Arms upon it, which Ticket he is always to wear whilst he is upon Duty.

And all Persons who shall discover any Letter Carrier, Porter, or other Person or Persons whatsoever, delivering Letters which should have passed through the General Post Office without such Badge or Ticket upon the most visible Part of their Cloathing, are desired to give Information thereof to the Postmaster General, that the Offenders may be prosecuted according to Law; and for such Information they shall meet with all fitting Encouragement.

Jos. Godman, *Secretary.*

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